

Janet Napolitano
Governor

Office of the Governor

*** ARIZONA PROBLEM GAMBLING AWARENESS WEEK ***

WHEREAS, many forms of legalized gaming exist in Arizona, including the Arizona Lottery, Indian gaming, pari-mutuel racing, bingo, charitable gambling, amusement gambling, and social gambling; and

WHEREAS, Arizona's Indian gaming provides substantial funds for problem gambling programs throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Gaming's Office of Problem Gambling administers problem gambling funds to provide and support effective problem gambling prevention, education and treatment programs throughout Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Lottery has, since 1998, had a formal statewide responsible gambling program; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Legislature beginning in 1999 has continuously appropriated Arizona Lottery revenues to be used specifically for problem gambling programs; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Council on Compulsive Gambling, Inc., an Arizona non-profit has provided compulsive gambling, education, awareness and prevention programs in Arizona since 1994; and

WHEREAS, the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators have declared the week of March 9th through March 16th as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, through programming and education, potential and existing gambling related problems can be addressed by both individuals, organizations and state and tribal governments;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 9-16, 2008 as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

Janet Napolitano

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this thirteenth day of February in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
Secretary of State

